

# THE FIFTH DIMENSION

## 5th Grade Newsletter PS/IS 30- February 2019

Greetings, 5<sup>th</sup> grade families!—here's what the students will be working on in February.

- ELA (Program- EL) We are reading informational and narrative texts about rainforests and learning about figurative language.
- Math (standards-based lessons) - Students are working on multiplying and dividing decimals using open-task and a variety of math centers.
- *Science (Amplify)* – Students are introduced to the chemistry of food unit and learning about modeling matter as food scientists.
- S.S (Program- Passports) We are exploring and learning about different pre-colonial civilizations in the Western Hemisphere.

### **Upcoming Dates:**

- ❖ February 5<sup>th</sup> – Lunar New Year- No School
- ❖ February 8<sup>th</sup> – Student of the Month Assembly
- ❖ February 14<sup>th</sup> – 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School
- ❖ February 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> –Mid Winter Break - No School

### **REMINDERS:**

- All students who are not picked up on time during dismissal will be relocated to the auditorium, not the main office. Please use the main entrance to the school if coming to pick up a child after 2:30 PM.
- Students are required, according to the uniform policy, to wear khakis (beige or navy blue colored). Leggings or pants of other colors do not comply with the uniform policy.
- Be on the lookout for middle school applications. We will be sending them home soon!

- Parent engagement takes place EVERY Tuesday from 2:30 to 3 PM! If you would like to set up an appointment, contact your child's teacher. We also welcome walk-ins!



CONGRATULATIONS 5<sup>th</sup> GRADE



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!

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## MATH TIPS for FAMILIES!

1. **Make math fun.** Spend time with kids on simple board games, puzzles, and activities that encourage better attitudes and stronger math skills.
2. **Mix in math.** The kitchen is filled with tasty opportunities to teach fractional measurements, like doubling and dividing cookie recipes.
3. **Use real world examples to teach math.** Point out ways that people use math every day to pay bills, balance their checkbooks, figure out their net earnings, make change, and tip at restaurants.
4. **Encourage children to solve problems.** Provide assistance, but let them figure it out themselves. Problem solving is a lifetime skill.

- 5. Tune into technology.** Encourage your child to use computers and the Internet at home, your local library, and after-school programs for tasks like developing charts, graphs, maps, and spreadsheets.